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#### **BOREAS AES Campbell Scientific Surface Meteorological Data**

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#### Summary

Canadian AES personnel collected data related to surface and atmospheric meteorological conditions over the BOREAS region. This data set contains 15-minute meteorological data from 14 automated meteorology stations located across the BOREAS region. Included in this data are parameters of date, time, mean sea level pressure, station pressure, temperature, dew point, wind speed, resultant wind speed, resultant wind direction, peak wind, precipitation, maximum temperature in the last hour, minimum temperature in the last hour, pressure tendency, liquid precipitation in the last hour, relative humidity, precipitation from a weighing gauge, and snow depth. Temporally, the data cover the period of August 1993 to December 1996. The data are provided in tabular ASCII files, and are classified as AFM-Staff data.

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#### 1. Data Set Overview

#### 1.1 Data Set Identification

BOREAS AES Campbell Scientific Surface Meteorological Data

#### 1.2 Data Set Introduction

This data set contains 15-minute data from 14 automated meteorology stations across the BOREAS region in Canada. Included in these data are parameters of day, time, mean sea level pressure, station pressure, temperature, dew point, wind speed, resultant wind speed, resultant wind direction, peak wind, precipitation, maximum temperature in the last hour, minimum temperature in the last hour, pressure tendency, liquid precipitation in the last hour, relative humidity, precipitation from a weighing gauge, and snow depth.

#### 1.3 Objective/Purpose

These monitoring sites were established by the Atmospheric and Environment Service (AES) of Canada to provide hourly weather reports, input to the operational program of forecasts and warnings, input to operational weather prediction models, and climate data. The frequency of observations was increased to 15 minutes at the request of the BOReal Ecosystem-Atmosphere Study (BOREAS). Data collection for BOREAS began in August 1993.

#### 1.4 Summary of Parameters

Parameters include: day, time, mean sea level pressure, station pressure, temperature, dew point, wind speed, resultant wind speed, resultant wind direction, peak wind, precipitation, maximum temperature in the last hour, minimum temperature in the last hour, pressure tendency, liquid precipitation in the last hour, relative humidity, precipitation from a weighing gauge, and snow depth.

#### 1.5 Discussion

Generally these stations were installed before BOREAS began, and conform to Environment Canada's criteria for accuracy and exposure. Only stations Southend, Saskatoon (SK), and Waskesiu Lake, SK, have a Fisher and Porter weighing precipitation gauge. Only Waskesiu Lake, SK, measures snow depth.

#### 1.6 Related Data Sets

BOREAS AFM-07 SRC Surface Meteorological and Radiation Data BOREAS AES MARSII Surface Meteorological Data BOREAS AES READAC Surface Meteorological Data

#### 2. Investigator(s)

#### 2.1 Investigator(s) Name and Title

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#### 2.2 Title of Investigation

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#### 3. Theory of Measurements

None given.

#### 4. Equipment

#### 4.1 Sensor/Instrument Description

No specific descriptions were given of the various types of instruments. See Section 4.1.6 for information regarding the kinds of instruments that were at each site.

#### **4.1.1 Collection Environment**

The data were collected continuously in all types of weather.

#### 4.1.2 Source/Platform

The various instruments were mounted on towers at the sites.

#### 4.1.3 Source/Platform Mission Objectives

None given.

#### 4.1.4 Key Variables

The parameters are date, time, mean sea level pressure and station pressure, temperature, dew point, wind speed and direction, peak wind, precipitation, maximum and minimum temperature in the last hour, pressure tendency.

#### 4.1.5 Principles of Operation

None given.

#### 4.1.6 Sensor/Instrument Measurement Geometry

Additional information about the local environment in which the instruments were positioned may be given in Section 7.

Parameter	Instrument	Instrument Description
Data Logger	A	CR10
	H	CR21X
Pressure	В	Setra 270
Hydro Thermistor	C	CS 207F
Radiation shield	D	Gill type
	I	wooden Stevenson screen, pipe stand
	J	wooden Stevenson screen, wooden stand

Parameter	Instrument	Instrument Description
Precipitation:		
tipping bucket	E	AES TBRG (Tipping Bucket Rain Gauge)
weighing gauge	K	Fisher and Porter with Nipher shield
	L	Fisher and Porter with alter shield
Snow Depth sensor	M	UDG01 ultrasonic depth gauge
Anemometer	F	RM Young
Tower	G	Hossick Tilting
	N	Hossick non-tilting

The following is a list of instruments used at the various sites. The following table indicates (by the letter) which instruments are present at each site.

		(	FFN	)										
STATION	$\mathtt{WBL}$	WWC	WFO	WGX	WHH	WLE	WLJ	WFF	WBU	WRJ	WJH	WSR	$\mathtt{WLV}$	WIW
Data Logger	A	H	H	H	Α	Α	Α	Α	H	Α	Η	Α	Η	Α
Pressure sensor	В	В	В	В	В	В	В	В	В	В	В	В	В	В
Hydro Thermistor	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C
height (cm)	200	120	115	115	280	120	120	120	122	137	120	115	120	134
Radiation shield	D	I	I	I	D	J	J	J	I	J	J	J	J	J
Precipitation														
Tipping Bucket	E	E	E	E	E	E	E	E	E	E	E	E	E	E
rim height (cm)	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75
Weighing gauge											K		K	
rim height (cm)											200		200	
Snow depth													M	
sensor height (mm)												2	2140	
Anemometer	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F
cup height (m)	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	20	10
tower	G	G	G	G	G	G	G	G	G	G	G	G	N	G

ID		Name	
WBL		Bachelors Island	MB
WFO	(FFN)	Flin Flon	MB
WGX		Gillam	MB
WHH		Hunters Point	MB
WWC		Collins Bay	SK
WLE		Lucky Lake	SK
WLJ		Meadow Lake	SK
WFF		Melfort	SK
WBU		Nipawin	SK
WRJ		Rosetown East	SK
WJH		Southend	SK
WSR		Spiritwood West	SK
$\mathtt{WLV}$		Waskesiu Lake	SK
WIW		Watrous East	SK

## **4.1.7 Manufacturer of Sensor/Instrument** None given.

#### 4.2 Calibration

#### 4.2.1 Specifications

None given.

#### **4.2.1.1 Tolerance**

None given.

#### 4.2.2 Frequency of Calibration

See Section 6.2 for information regarding site visits and instrument maintenance.

#### 4.2.3 Other Calibration Information

None given.

#### 5. Data Acquisition Methods

During normal operation, the data were stored in the data logger, and downloaded once per month. For Environment Canada's purposes, the autostations were called hourly, and only the latest observation was retrieved.

#### 6. Observations

#### 6.1 Data Notes

None given.

#### **6.2 Field Notes**

The following was obtained from the inspection books. This is only a partial list of maintenance. Contact Environment Canada for any maintenance information after 1994. Questions should be directed to Environment Canada.

Normal practice is to disable the tipping bucket rain gauge (TBRG) for the winter and to disable the weighing gauge for the summer.

Location	Date of Visit	Actions During Visit
WBL Bachelors Island, MB	Inspection Jun. 18, 1993	The 207f Temperature/Relative Humidity (T/RH) sensor was replaced. A newly-calibrated TBRG bridge was installed and tested. The pressure offset was adjusted to 80.07 to bring the station pressure reading into closer agreement with the inspection aneroid barometer. All exposed equipment was cleaned of cobwebs, bugs and bird droppings. Several comparisons between station and inspection parameters yielded very close results.

WFO (FFN) Flin Flon, MB	Inspection Jun 16, 1993	Barometer comparison difference was 0.44. The offset was not adjusted. New T/RH probes installed. All other comparisons between station and inspection parameters yielded very close results.
	Visit Oct 29, 1993	Installation of base for BOREAS instruments.
	Inspection Mar 21, 1994	New bearings were installed in the Anemometer. The Stevenson Screen was releveled. The TBRG bridge was cleaned, calibrated and leveled. All normal autostation comparisons were completed, and were OK.
WGX Gillam, MB	Inspection May 26, 1993	Anemometer replaced; T/RH probes replaced; TBRG bridge and bucket assembly replaced. All normal autostation comparisons, including barometer, were completed, and were OK.
	Inspection May 12, 1994	A new bridge was installed on the TBRG, and the gauge was cleaned and leveled. All normal autostation comparisons, including barometer, were completed, and were OK.
WHH Hunters Point, MB	Inspection Jun 17, 1993	All the normal checks of the instrumentation were performed. All were OK, however the barometer gave an average difference of +0.49 mb which is approaching the limit.
	Inspection Nov 3, 1994	A new bridge was installed on the TBRG, and the gauge was cleaned and leveled. A new anemometer, both speed and direction, was installed. A new RH grid was installed. All the normal checks of the instrumentation were performed. All were OK, but the barometer gave a difference of 0.7 mb from the standard, humidity showed a 1.0 degree difference, and temperature showed a 0.2 degree difference.
WWC Collins Bay, SK	Inspection Jun 9, 1993	Newly calibrated TBRG bridge installed. Bucket cleaned and leveled. The speed head was replaced complete with new bearings. All checks with direction OK. A new hydristor was installed and all comparisons were within acceptable limits. Pressure comparisons OK.
	Inspection Sep 14, 1994	TBRG bridge cleaned, leveled and calibrated. New hydristor installed. All comparisons OK. Pressure comparisons OK. Wind speed head changed. All checks OK.

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WLE Lucky Lake, SK	Inspection Apr 13, 1993	A new TBRG bridge installed, and the gauge leveled. A new pressure sensor was installed. A new hydristor was installed. A new anemometer head and new bearings were installed. All normal autostation comparisons, including barometer, were completed, and were OK.
	Inspection Apr 13, 1994	A new TBRG bridge installed, and the gauge leveled. A new hydristor was installed. A replacement anemometer head was installed. A number of comparisons between the Standard Barometer and the Setra pressure sensor revealed a pressure difference of between 0.6 and 0.7 mb. The pressure offset was adjusted to 80.08. The following comparisons showed differences between 0.05 and 0.1 mb. All other normal autostation comparisons were completed, and were OK.
WLJ Meadow Lake, SK	Inspection Mar 4, 1993	The anemometer was replaced with a rebuilt unit; the 207F humidity transducers was replaced; and the TBRG was leveled. All normal autostation comparisons, including barometer, were completed, and were OK.
	Visit May 28, 1993	The inspection office was notified by the Meadow Lake Weather Station that the wind direction at the auto-site was not the same as the U2A wind direction. Upon inspection, it was found that the RM Young wind detector was putting out a direction number 30 degrees off the true wind direction. The wind system was repointed, and passed all subsequent tests.
	Inspection Aug 9, 1994	The anemometer speed head was replaced; a new hydristor was installed; and the TBRG bridge was cleaned, leveled and calibrated.  All normal autostation comparisons were completed, and were OK.  The Stevenson screen and stand was painted.
WFF Melfort, SK	Visit Jun 28, 1993	A quick visit was made to the Melfort autostation while en route to Hudson Bay. A calibrated TBRG bridge was installed, and checks made. It was noticed that the psychrometer was dead, so a new motor was installed.
	Inspection Sep 22, 1993	The anemometer speed head was replaced; a new hydristor was installed and the TBRG bridge was cleaned and leveled.
	Inspection Jul 30, 1994	The TBRG bridge was cleaned and leveled. A new hydristor was installed. The anemometer speed head was changed. All normal autostation comparisons were completed, and were OK.
WBU Nipawin, SK	Inspection Sep 21, 1993	TBRG bridge was cleaned, leveled and calibrated. A new hydristor was installed. A new anemometer head (speed and direction) was installed as a magnet was loose on the speed shaft and the direction was not set on the alignment pin. All normal autostation comparisons were completed, and were OK.
	Inspection Jul 26, 1994	TBRG bridge was cleaned, leveled and calibrated. A new hydristor was installed. A new anemometer speed head was installed. All normal autostation comparisons were completed, and were OK.

WRJ Rosetown East, SK	Inspection Apr 14, 1993	TBRG bridge was calibrated. A new hydristor was installed. A new anemometer speed head and bearings was installed. All normal autostation comparisons were completed, and were OK.					
	Inspection Mar 31, 1994	A new TBRG bridge was installed. The relative humidity grid was replaced. The anemometer speed head was replaced. The average difference between the inspection barometer and the station pressure was found to be 0.35 mb. An adjustment was made to the station pressure offset of 0.06, and subsequent comparisons showed an average difference of 0.1 mb. All other normal autostation comparisons were completed, and were OK.					
WJH Southend, SK	Inspection Jun 8, 1993	A new TBRG bridge was installed, and the instrument leveled. The anemometer speed head was replaced complete with new bearings. A new hydristor was installed. The holding tank of the Fisher & Porter was cleaned, and a new charge added. Maximum reading was 500.1 mm. All normal autostation comparisons were completed, and were OK.					
	Inspection Jun 23, 1994	A new TBRG bridge was installed, and the instrument leveled. The anemometer speed head was replaced complete with new bearings. A new hydristor was installed. The Fisher & Porter was cleaned, calibrated, the potentiometer was changed, and a new charge added. Maximum reading was 600.9 mm. All normal autostation comparisons were completed, and were OK.					
WSR Spiritwood West, SK	Inspection Oct 6, 1993	TBRG bridge was cleaned and leveled. A new hydristor was installed. The anemometer speed head was changed. All normal autostation comparisons were completed, and were OK.					
	Inspection May 27, 1994	Inside the TBRG a nest with 8 young mice was found. One mouse was found running along the base of the bridge itself. These rodents were probably the cause of discrepancies identified by the Saskatoon Forecast Office. The gauge was cleaned of nest and mice. A calibrated bridge was installed, and the gauge leveled. A new hydristor was installed. The anemometer speed head was changed. All normal autostation comparisons were completed, and were OK.					

WLV Waskesiu Lake, SK	Inspection Jul 28, 1993	The TBRG was cleaned, calibrated and leveled. The anemometer was replaced with a rebuilt unit. Station pressure was checked against the calibration barometer, and over 8 readings the average difference was 0.49 mb with a range of 0.29 to 0.60, but no change was mad to the pressure offset. The Fisher and Porter was cleaned, calibrated and recharged with glycol/oil. All other normal autostation comparisons were completed, and were OK.						
	Visit Nov 17, 1993	The alter shield was removed from the Fisher and Porter, and replaced with a Nipher shield. The sonic transducer was replaced with a new retrofit for the snow depth sensor.						
	Visit Mar 9, 1994	Precipitation amounts reported from the Fisher and Porter gauge had become suspect over the past several weeks, and in conjunction with George Davies, it was decided that the problem might be a malfunctioning shaft encoder. A new shaft encoder was installed, and appears to be operating normally, but time will tell. It should be noted that a significant amount of snow had accumulated on the shield of the Fisher and Porter gauge, which very likely had a significant impact on air flow over the gauge. No such accumulation was observed on the snow gauge Nipher shield.						
	Inspection Sep 23, 1994	During the period Sep 21 to 23, 1994, a 60 foot tilting tower from Downsview was installed, replacing the 60 foot Hossick tower. The TBRG was cleaned and calibrated. The anemometer speed head was replaced, and the unit installed on the new tower. The hydristor was changed. The Fisher and Porter was recharged. All normal autostation comparisons, including the snow depth sensor and the Fisher and Porter, were completed, and were OK.						
WIW Watrous East, SK	Visit Apr 15, 1993	The TBRG bridge was replaced.						
	Inspection Oct 8, 1993	The RH grid was replaced. The anemometer wind speed detector was replaced. After, all normal autostation comparisons were completed, and were OK.						
	Inspection Apr 20, 1994	The TBRG bridge was replaced and the gauge leveled. A new hydristor was installed. The anemometer speed head was replaced. After, all normal autostation comparisons were completed, and were OK.						

#### 7. Data Description

#### 7.1 Spatial Characteristics

#### 7.1.1 Spatial Coverage

The following table contain the North American Datum of 1983 (NAD83) latitude and longitude coordinates for each station, the elevation above sea level, and the data base site names. Below the tables is a detailed description of each site. (Latitude and longitude are given in degrees and minutes.)

ID	Name		Lat	itud	le	Long	itud	le	Elevatio:	n 
WBL	Bachelors Island	MB	51°	45'	N	990	54'	W	255.9	(m)
WFO (FFN)	Flin Flon	MB	54°	41'	N	101°	41'	W	303.9	
WGX	Gillam	MB	56°	22'	N	94°	42'	W	145.3	
WHH	Hunters Point	MB	53°	02'	N	100°	56'	W	256.1	
WWC	Collins Bay	SK	58°	11'	N	103°	42'	W	492.1	
WLE	Lucky Lake	SK	50°	57'	N	107°	09'	W	664.7	
WLJ	Meadow Lake	SK	54°	08'	N	108°	31'	W	481.0	
WFF	Melfort	SK	52°	49'	N	104°	36'	W	490.0	
WBU	Nipawin	SK	53°	20'	N	104°	00'	W	371.9	
WRJ	Rosetown East	SK	51°	34'	N	107°	55'	W	586.0	
WJH	Southend	SK	56°	20'	N	103°	17'	W	344.1	
WSR	Spiritwood West								584.3	
WLV	Waskesiu Lake	SK	53°	55'	N	106°	04'	W	569.4	
WIW	Watrous East	SK	51°	40'	N	105°	24'	W	525.6	
	(from Database)	Common	Name		-					
REG-999-WI	BL01	Bachelo	ors Is	land	i					
TRN-999-F	FN01	Flin Fl								
REG-999-W	GX01	Gillam								
REG-999-WI	нн01	Hunters Point								
REG-999-W	WC01	Collins Bay								
REG-999-W	LE01	Lucky Lake								
REG-999-W	LJ01	Meadow Lake								
REG-999-W	FF01	Melfort								
SSA-999-W	BU01	Nipawin								
REG-999-WI	RJ01	Rosetown East								
REG-999-W	JH01	Souther	nd							
REG-999-W	SR01	Spiritwood West								
SSA-999-W	LV01	Waskesi	.u Lak	:e						
REG-999-W	IW01	Watrous	East							

#### WBL Bachelors Island, MB

The weather station is located on an island at the south end of Lake Winnipegosis. The nearest community is the village of Winnipegosis, which is 10 km straight south of the island. Instrument exposure is excellent in all directions. The station is situated on a flat open area of the island. It is high enough off the lake shore to prevent damage from ice in the spring, but is close enough that it will be ideal for its primary purpose as an aid to marine forecasting for this lake. It is located on a narrow spit of land that is about 35 m across. The site is 1.4 m in elevation from the lake. The surrounding terrain is sand and gravel, with only a couple of 2-m dead tree skeletons approximately 6 m to the south. Otherwise, the surrounding area is lake. The nearest mainland is 2.5 km to the west.

#### WFO (FFN) Flin Flon, MB

The instrument area is located on the airport property, adjacent to the U2A tower and ceiling projector, about 150 m northwest of the airport terminal building. Exposure is excellent in all directions, with no obstructions present. The surrounding countryside is Precambrian Shield with numerous lakes, rock outcrops, and heavily forested areas. The station is located on a 1-km² peninsula at the midpoint of Lake Athapapuskow, a 20-km-long, 2-km-wide body of water running south-southwest to north-northeast. A rocky ridge, rising some 30 m, lies 1 km southwest to northwest of the station. The BOREAS Airborne Fluxes and Meteorology (AFM)-07 automated meteorological station is co-located with this autostation.

#### WGX Gillam, MB

The autostation instrument area, located northeast of the aircraft ramp and adjacent to the existing U2A tower, has excellent exposure. The area is about 175 m northeast of the airport terminal building and 250 m northeast of the manned instrument area. The immediate terrain is ungrassed natural ground, recently cleared of brush, and will need an annual brush clearing to maintain this exposure. Gillam Airport is located 1 km northeast of the town of Gillam on a flat open area beside Stephen's Lake. This reservoir lies to the west-northwest of the instrument area and is responsible for low stratus and fog in the spring and fall at this site. Because the runway and airport roads are gravel, there is a great deal of dust.

#### WHH Hunters Point, MB

The weather station is located on a long point of land at the north end of Lake Winnipegosis. The point extends 4 km northeastward into the lake and divides it into two bays: Overflow Bay to the north, and Dawson Bay to the south. The nearest settlement is Dawson Bay, which is near Highway 10 at the beginning of the point. Because the site is at the end of the point, almost surrounded by water, instrument exposure is excellent in all directions, except to the southwest, down the length of the point. The point was heavily wooded almost to the tip, and a significant amount of clearing was required in order to improve the exposure. The southwest quadrant has some very tall trees that will affect the wind flow from this direction. The surrounding countryside is heavily wooded with some open areas of marsh, and a fringe of tall grasses adjacent to the lake

#### WWC Collins Bay, SK

The instrument area is located at the northwest edge of the Eldor Mines Collins Bay staff accommodation complex. The automatic weather station is co-located with the manned observing program, sharing the same instrument area. The exposure is open to the south, west, and north, offering good air flow. To the east, there is some sheltering due to the 42- by 8- by 4-m office trailer. The mine site and the 30- by 30-m instrument area are located on a large plateau that rises about 60 m above the surrounding countryside. Trees extend around the perimeter of the complex. The wind equipment is mounted atop a 13-m tower in order to clear local obstructions, and is located in the instrument area. The RM Young anemometer is co-mounted with the U2A anemometer on the same mast at 10 m. The Collins Bay mine site is situated 4 km west of Wollaston Lake, and approximately 6 km south of Collins Creek. The terrain is rough and rolling, covered with 5- to 10-m evergreens. Numerous small lakes, muskeg, swamp, rock outcrops and rivers extend to the north and west.

#### WLE Lucky Lake, SK

The station is located approximately 3.5 km south-southwest of the town of Lucky Lake. From the intersection of #45 and #42, travel 0.5 km west on #42, cross the railway tracks, and then 3 km south on grid road #646. The station is established on relatively flat, open farmland. Lake Diefenbaker is situated 18 km south and curves to also be 15 km east as it winds its way northwards. To the east and south, the topography is more undulating with a significant number of sloughs (usually dry) dotting the landscape. Tree growth is at a minimum here, with only some planned shelterbelts breaking the otherwise void prairie landscape. The observing site provides excellent exposure to all sectors.

#### WLJ Meadow Lake, SK

The station is located on the Meadow Lake Airport property, 5 km west of the town of Meadow Lake, and approximately 7 km west of Meadow Lake. The topography to the east, north, and west of the airport is fairly flat, while to the south it rises from 480 m at the airport to 730 m 30 km south of the airport. This hilly area is well forested, while mixed farmland surrounds the airport for a radius of 15-25 km in the other directions. The instrument compound is located north of the terminal building, with cultivated farmland next to the site on the east, north, and west sides, and a trimmed grass area to the south. The exposure of the instruments is excellent, with no obstructions to airflow in any direction. The surface is grassed, and the compound is identified by a post and chain fence. The automatic weather station is co-located with the manned observing program.

#### WFF Melfort, SK

The Melfort autostation is located at the Melfort CDA Experimental Farm some 200 m southeast of the existing CDA climate station. The topography is generally flat farmland, with some shelterbelts. There appear to be no serious restrictive forces at play to hamper representative data collection.

#### WBU Nipawin, SK

The Nipawin automatic station is co-located with the manned program, in a fenced, protected yard, to the east of the aircraft parking and maintenance area. The station sensors share a common instrument area exposure, on a protected 39- by 39-m site, identified by a chain and post fence. The site is grassed and has excellent exposure in all directions. Air flow is unrestricted from all quadrants, and in the immediate vicinity the only source of heat might be the taxiway and apron, some 50 m to the south. To the east and south the surrounding countryside is flat, open farmland, with only the occasional natural bluff or planned shelterbelt. The Saskatchewan River Valley lies to the west, approximately 1.5 km distant, and runs north-south. To the north is farmland, with the outskirts of the town of Nipawin starting at a distance of 1.0 km. There is no sheltering of the instruments from any direction.

#### WRJ Rosetown East, SK

The station is located at the Rosetown Municipal Airport, located 4.2 km northeast of the town of Rosetown in Highway #7. The instruments are located on a level, grassed area with open exposure in all directions. Some effect may be noticeable from the airport hangers located 50 m to the north. These hangers range from 3.9 to 5.7 m in height. A 56-m-high grain elevator is located 445 m to the northeast of the instrument area. Local pilots have reported wind effects extending for up to 0.5 km downwind of this obstruction. The surrounding countryside is flat, open cropland.

#### WJH Southend, SK

The station is situated in the northeast portion of Central Saskatchewan. The site is 180 km northeast of the town of La Ronge, and approximately 5 km west of the village of Southend. The immediate surrounding area is generally evergreen forest with some small areas of mixed deciduous growth. Topography is best described as a series of forest covered ridges and hills interspersed with rivers and lakes. The site lies approximately 0.5 km to the south and west of the southern end of Numabin Bay of Reindeer Lake. Under a northeast wind, one may expect the water body to exert some minor influence on "normal" data. A tree covered ridge running east to west lies approximately 1.0 km to the south. Ten-meter-high evergreens begin about 20 m south of the site. Short brush and bush predominate to the immediate east, slowly giving way to the evergreens father east.

#### WSR Spiritwood West, SK

The station is located 2.6 km west of the town of Spiritwood, SK. The instruments are located on a level grassed area adjacent to Highway #3. Exposure is open in all directions, with the only obstruction being a bluff of 8-m trees 120 m to the southwest. The surrounding countryside is open, flat cropland with frequent bluffs of trees. Witchekon Lake lies 3 km to the north.

#### WLV Waskesiu Lake, SK

The station is located on the grounds of the Parks Canada Maintenance compound. The instruments are located on a 22- by 12-m conditioned plot, open to the west, south, and east. To the north sheltering can be expected due to large fir trees 15 to 17 m high. The Parks building and paved equipment yard are situated to the southeast about 50 m. Open areas to the west and south are slightly lower in elevation. With the exception of the north quadrant, exposure is fair to good. General topography is rolling forest country. Waskesiu Lake lies 1.4 km to the northwest.

#### WIW Watrous East, SK

The station is located approximately 4 km east of the town of Watrous, SK, at the Saskatchewan Wheat Pool Product Development Farm. To locate the station, travel north 1.3 km from the junction of Highways #2 and #365 to Grid road 668. Go east on 668 3.2 km to a small white church and the Product Development Farm sign. Travel south 1.2 km, drive through the farm yard, and the station is approximately 200 m east of the office complex. The instruments are located on a level grassed area with open exposure in all directions. A low area of ground that may hold water in the spring or during wet periods is just to the west of the instruments. The surrounding countryside is flat, open cropland. Little Manitou Lake lies in a valley approximately 4.5 km north.

#### 7.1.2 Spatial Coverage Map

Not available.

#### 7.1.3 Spatial Resolution

The data represent point measurements of the various parameters at the locations given.

#### 7.1.4 Projection

Not applicable.

#### 7.1.5 Grid Description

Not applicable.

#### 7.2 Temporal Characteristics

#### 7.2.1 Temporal Coverage

	<u> </u>	$\boldsymbol{c}$				
WBI	Bachelors Island		03-AUG-1993	through	31-DEC-1996	
WFC	(FFN) Flin Flon		03-AUG-1993	through	31-DEC-1996	
WGX	: Gillam		03-AUG-1993	through	31-DEC-1996	
WHF	Hunters Point		03-AUG-1993	through	31-DEC-1996	
WWC	Collins Bay		03-AUG-1993	through	31-DEC-1996	
WLE	Lucky Lake		03-AUG-1993	through	28-AUG-1996	* *
WLC	Meadow Lake		03-AUG-1993	through	31-DEC-1996	
WFE	'Melfort		03-AUG-1993	through	31-DEC-1996	
WBU	Nipawin		03-AUG-1993	through	31-DEC-1996	
WRJ	Rosetown East		03-AUG-1993	through	19-AUG-1996	* *
WJF	I Southend		03-AUG-1993	through	31-DEC-1996	
WSF	Spiritwood West		03-AUG-1993	through	31-DEC-1996	
ML	Waskesiu Lake		03-AUG-1993	through	31-DEC-1996	
WIV	Watrous East		03-AUG-1993	through	31-DEC-1996	

All stations are missing data from 01-MAR-1995 through 17-MAR-1995. All stations are missing data from 01-FEB-1996 into March 1996 except for Rosetown East (WRJ) (These dates may vary slightly with each station.)

\*\* Two stations (WLE Lucky Lake, SK, and WRJ Rosetown East, SK) do not have data through the end of 1996 because of a raw data format change that occurred in August. It was deemed not necessary to include these reformatted data.

#### 7.2.2 Temporal Coverage Map

Not available

#### 7.2.3 Temporal Resolution

BOREAS received data recorded at 15-minute intervals from August 1993 through December 1996. The only exception to this is WRJ, which began reporting hourly on 28-JUN-1995.

#### 7.3 Data Characteristics

#### 7.3.1 Parameter/Variable

The parameters contained in the data files on the CD-ROM are:

Column Name SITE\_NAME SUB SITE DATE OBS TIME OBS STN PRESS MSL PRESS PRESS TEND AIR TEMP 1 5M DEW TEMP 1 5M REL HUM MEAN WIND SPEED 10M 2MIN RT\_MEAN\_WIND\_SPEED\_10M\_2MIN RT MEAN WIND DIR 10M 2MIN SDEV RT MEAN WIND DIR 10M 2MIN GUST 10M 10MIN RAINFALL LAST HOUR SNOW DEPTH TEMP MAX LAST SYNOPTIC TEMP MIN LAST SYNOPTIC RAINFALL LAST SYNOPTIC HOUR ACCUM\_PRECIP CRTFCN CODE REVISION\_DATE

#### 7.3.2 Variable Description/Definition

The descriptions of the parameters contained in the data files on the CD-ROM are:

Column Name

Description

The identifier assigned to the site by BOREAS, in the format SSS-TTT-CCCCC, where SSS identifies the portion of the study area: NSA, SSA, REG, TRN, and TTT identifies the cover type for the site, 999 if unknown, and CCCCC is the identifier for site, exactly what it means will vary with site type.

The identifier assigned to the sub-site by SUB SITE BOREAS, in the format GGGGG-IIIII, where GGGGG is the group associated with the sub-site instrument, e.g. HYD06 or STAFF, and IIIII is the identifier for sub-site, often this will refer to an instrument. DATE OBS The date on which the data were collected. TIME\_OBS The Greenwich Mean Time (GMT) when the data were STN PRESS The measured instantaneous atmospheric pressure at station level. MSL PRESS The calculated instantaneous mean sea level pressure. PRESS TEND The three hour pressure tendency valid only at minute 00 but given every fifteen minutes. AIR TEMP 1 5M The instantaneous air temperature at a height of 1.5 meters above the surface. DEW\_TEMP\_1\_5M The instantaneous dew point temperature at a height of 1.5 meters above the surface. REL HUM The calculated relative humidity of the air. The two-minute mean scalar wind speed at ten MEAN\_WIND\_SPEED\_10M\_2MIN meters above the surface based on measurements taken every six seconds during the two minutes prior to the given time. RT MEAN WIND SPEED 10M 2MIN The two-minute resultant mean wind speed at ten meters above the surface based on measurements taken every six seconds during the two minutes prior to the given time. RT MEAN WIND DIR 10M 2MIN The two-minute resultant mean wind direction at ten meters above the surface based on measurements taken every six seconds during the two minutes prior to the given time. SDEV\_RT\_MEAN\_WIND\_DIR\_10M\_2MIN The standard deviation of the resultant mean wind direction using the equation from Campbell Scientific, SDEV=81\*(SQRT(1-U/N)). U is the resultant mean wind speed and N is the number of samples. GUST 10M 10MIN The peak wind speed over the past ten minutes at ten meters above the surface. RAINFALL LAST HOUR The total amount of liquid precipitation that has fallen since the last hour (minute 00). SNOW DEPTH The depth of snow on the ground. TEMP MAX LAST SYNOPTIC The maximum temperature at 1.5 meters above the surface since the last synoptic hour (0Z, 6Z, 12Z, ...) based on measurements taken every second. The minimum temperature at 1.5 meters above the TEMP MIN LAST SYNOPTIC surface since the last synoptic hour (0Z, 6Z, 12Z, ...) based on measurements taken every RAINFALL LAST SYNOPTIC HOUR The amount of liquid precipitation fallen since the last synoptic hour (0Z, 6Z, 12Z, ...). ACCUM PRECIP The total amount of precipitation that has fallen since a relative date. This variable is

measured at the start of every hour but given for

every fifteen-minute time period.

CRTFCN CODE The BOREAS certification level of the data.

Examples are CPI (Checked by PI), CGR (Certified by Group), PRE (Preliminary), and CPI-??? (CPI

but questionable).

REVISION\_DATE The most recent date when the information in the

referenced data base table record was revised.

#### 7.3.3 Unit of Measurement

The measurement units for the parameters contained in the data files onthe CD-ROM are:

Column Name	Units
SITE NAME	[none]
SUB_SITE	[none]
DATE_OBS	[DD-MON-YY]
TIME_OBS	[HHMM GMT]
STN_PRESS	[kiloPascals]
MSL_PRESS	[kiloPascals]
PRESS_TEND	[kiloPascals]
AIR_TEMP_1_5M	[degrees Celsius]
DEW_TEMP_1_5M	[degrees Celsius]
REL_HUM	[percent]
MEAN_WIND_SPEED_10M_2MIN	[meters][second^-1]
RT_MEAN_WIND_SPEED_10M_2MIN	[meters][second^-1]
RT_MEAN_WIND_DIR_10M_2MIN	[degrees]
SDEV_RT_MEAN_WIND_DIR_10M_2MIN	[degrees]
GUST_10M_10MIN	[meters][second^-1]
RAINFALL_LAST_HOUR	[millimeters]
SNOW_DEPTH	[millimeters]
TEMP_MAX_LAST_SYNOPTIC	[degrees Celsius]
TEMP_MIN_LAST_SYNOPTIC	[degrees Celsius]
RAINFALL_LAST_SYNOPTIC_HOUR	[millimeters]
ACCUM_PRECIP	[millimeters]
CRTFCN_CODE	[none]
REVISION_DATE	[DD-MON-YY]

#### 7.3.4 Data Source

The sources of the parameter values contained in the data files on the CD-ROM are:

Column Name	Data Source
SITE_NAME	[Assigned by BORIS]
SUB_SITE	[Assigned by BORIS]
DATE_OBS	[Supplied by AES]
TIME_OBS	[Supplied by AES]
STN_PRESS	[Supplied by AES]
MSL_PRESS	[Supplied by AES]
PRESS_TEND	[Supplied by AES]
AIR_TEMP_1_5M	[Supplied by AES]
DEW_TEMP_1_5M	[Supplied by AES]
REL_HUM	[Supplied by AES]
MEAN_WIND_SPEED_10M_2MIN	[Supplied by AES]

```
[Supplied by AES]
RT MEAN WIND SPEED 10M 2MIN
RT_MEAN_WIND_DIR_10M_2MIN
                                [Supplied by AES]
SDEV RT MEAN WIND DIR 10M 2MIN [Supplied by AES]
GUST 10M 10MIN
                                [Supplied by AES]
RAINFALL LAST HOUR
                                [Supplied by AES]
SNOW_DEPTH
                                [Supplied by AES]
TEMP MAX LAST SYNOPTIC
                                [Supplied by AES]
TEMP_MIN_LAST_SYNOPTIC
                                [Supplied by AES]
RAINFALL LAST SYNOPTIC HOUR
                                [Supplied by AES]
ACCUM PRECIP
                                [Supplied by AES]
CRTFCN CODE
                                [Assigned by BORIS]
                                [Assigned by BORIS]
REVISION_DATE
```

#### 7.3.5 Data Range

The actual ranges for the various parameters were not determined due to the large amount of data in this data set. Please note that some of these values are quite unreasonable. See Section 11.2 for summary information.

#### 7.4 Sample Data Record

The following are wrapped versions of data record from a sample data file on the CD-ROM.

```
SITE_NAME, SUB_SITE, DATE_OBS, TIME_OBS, STN_PRESS, MSL_PRESS, PRESS_TEND,
AIR_TEMP_1_5M, DEW_TEMP_1_5M, REL_HUM, MEAN_WIND_SPEED_10M_2MIN,
RT_MEAN_WIND_SPEED_10M_2MIN, RT_MEAN_WIND_DIR_10M_2MIN,
SDEV_RT_MEAN_WIND_DIR_10M_2MIN, GUST_10M_10MIN, RAINFALL_LAST_HOUR, SNOW_DEPTH,
TEMP_MAX_LAST_SYNOPTIC, TEMP_MIN_LAST_SYNOPTIC, RAINFALL_LAST_SYNOPTIC_HOUR,
ACCUM_PRECIP, CRTFCN_CODE, REVISION_DATE
'REG-999-WFF01', 'STAFF-AES01', 01-OCT-95, 0, 95.473, 101.25, -.0467, 13.55, 4.091, 52.7,
2.429, 2.423, 149.2, 4.178, 3.068, 0.0, -999.0, 16.07, 12.91, 0.0, -999.0, 'CPI', 31-JAN-96
'REG-999-WFF01', 'STAFF-AES01', 01-OCT-95, 15, 95.481, 101.26, -.0467, 12.64, 3.841, 55.0,
2.558, 2.543, 144.7, 6.207, 3.1, 0.0, -999.0, 13.55, 12.61, 0.0, -999.0, 'CPI', 31-JAN-96
```

#### 8. Data Organization

#### 8.1 Data Granularity

The smallest unit of data is a monthly set of 15-minute records for one station.

#### 8.2 Data Format(s)

The Compact Disk-Read-Only Memory (CD-ROM) files contain American Standard Code for Information Interchange (ASCII) numerical and character fields of varying length separated by commas. The character fields are enclosed with single apostrophe marks. There are no spaces between the fields.

Each data file on the CD-ROM has four header lines of Hyper-Text Markup Language (HTML) code at the top. When viewed with a Web browser, this code displays header information (data set title, location, date, acknowledgments, etc.) and a series of HTML links to associated data files and related data sets. Line 5 of each data file is a list of the column names, and line 6 and following lines contain the actual data.

#### 9. Data Manipulations

#### 9.1 Formulae

None given.

#### 9.1.1 Derivation Techniques and Algorithms

None given.

#### 9.2 Data Processing Sequence

#### 9.2.1 Processing Steps

Data were received by BOREAS in raw form with 1 month's worth of data per station contained in each raw file. Data were extracted from the files using a C program provided by AES. The output of this program was a tab-delimited file that contained 1 month's worth of processed data for one station. BOREAS Information System (BORIS) personnel loaded these data into a relational data base and converted the units to match those of other data sets.

#### 9.2.2 Processing Changes

None given.

#### 9.3 Calculations

#### 9.3.1 Special Corrections/Adjustments

None given.

#### 9.3.2 Calculated Variables

None given.

#### 9.4 Graphs and Plots

None given.

#### 10. Errors

#### 10.1 Sources of Error

None given.

#### 10.2 Quality Assessment

None given.

#### 10.2.1 Data Validation by Source

None given.

#### 10.2.2 Confidence Level/Accuracy Judgment

This data set has been quality assessed (see Section 11.2). There are some areas where data are not consistent and/or intuitive. The user should be aware of inconsistencies in the data.

#### **10.2.3 Measurement Error for Parameters**

None given.

#### 10.2.4 Additional Quality Assessments

None given.

#### 10.2.5 Data Verification by Data Center

An automated quality assurance program was run on this data set to identify anomalies, including sudden jumps or drops ("spikes") in the data. Some of these problems are identified in Section 11.2.

#### 11. Notes

#### 11.1 Limitations of the Data

See Section 10.2.2.

#### 11.2 Known Problems with the Data

Snow measurements (Fisher & Porter weight gauge and snow depth) are known to be poor. Some automated quality assessment was done to identify spikes and other anomalies in the data. These anomalies are also present in the original data and are not due to BORIS processing. Following are a few examples of some anomalies that were detected for the various columns of data. This is not meant to be a comprehensive list.

#### **STN PRESS:**

In 1993, spikes of 7 or 8 kiloPascals in a 15-minute period were observed in the data. In 1994, some larger spikes were seen, such as the following 13-kPa change:

			From	То	
Prob	SITE_NAME	SUB_SITE	DATE_OBS	DATE_OBS	Data
Spike	REG-999-WLE01	STAFF-AES01	14-APR-94	14-APR-94	79.613 - 92.99

#### MSL PRESS:

In the 1994 data, some anomalous values of -99.9 were identified at the WWC site:

```
Low | REG-999-WWC01 | STAFF-AES01 | 22-OCT-94 | 22-OCT-94 | -99.9
```

#### PRESS TEND:

In this data set, some spikes of 6 kPa were observed, but in general most values were less than 1. In the 1993 and 1994 data, there are some very high values over 97.8 kPa. Most of these problems were with the WJH, WLE, and WWC sites. In 1995 and 1996, some very high spikes were found in the data from the WRJ site.

#### AIR\_TEMP\_1\_5M:

In 1993, some spikes of 5 degrees are not uncommon. In addition, some physically impossible values were found.

```
High | TRN-999-FFN01 | STAFF-AES01 | 24-NOV-93 | 24-NOV-93 | 341.27
```

#### DEW\_TEMP\_1\_5M:

In 1993, some spikes greater than 700 degrees C were observed.

Spike	REG-999-WFF01	STAFF-AES01	04-AUG-93	04-AUG-93	16.88 - 716.09
Spike	REG-999-WFF01	STAFF-AES01	04-AUG-93	04-AUG-93	716.09 - 15.69
High	REG-999-WFF01	STAFF-AES01	04-AUG-93	04-AUG-93	716.09
Spike	REG-999-WFF01	STAFF-AES01	10-AUG-93	10-AUG-93	13.21 - 713.37
Spike	REG-999-WFF01	STAFF-AES01	10-AUG-93	10-AUG-93	713.37 - 13.37
High	REG-999-WFF01	STAFF-AES01	10-AUG-93	10-AUG-93	713.37

These kinds of anomalies were seen at the WFF and WIW sites. Anomalous values were not observed in 1994. Some very large spikes were found in the 1995 data for the FFN site.

Spike	TRN-999-FFN01	STAFF-AES01	06-SEP-95	06-SEP-95	13.03 - 34.22
Spike	TRN-999-FFN01	STAFF-AES01	06-SEP-95	06-SEP-95	34.73 - 38.36
Spike	TRN-999-FFN01	STAFF-AES01	06-SEP-95	06-SEP-95	38.42 - 12.94
Spike	TRN-999-FFN01	STAFF-AES01	11-SEP-95	11-SEP-95	10.91 - 46.35
Spike	TRN-999-FFN01	STAFF-AES01	11-SEP-95	11-SEP-95	46.35 - 10.98

In 1996, there were some extremely low values at the WBL and FFN sites:

```
Spike | REG-999-WBL01 | STAFF-AES01 | 30-OCT-96 | 30-OCT-96 | -237.3 - .116 | Spike | TRN-999-FFN01 | STAFF-AES01 | 08-JUL-96 | 08-JUL-96 | -237.3 - 12.32 | Low | TRN-999-FFN01 | STAFF-AES01 | 08-JUL-96 | 08-JUL-96 | -237.3
```

#### **REL HUM:**

Very large changes (~20%) in relative humidity were observed in the 1993 and 1994 data, although no values were observed outside of the range of 0 to 100.

#### MEAN WIND SPEED 10M 2MIN:

In 1993, the wind speed data had some spikes where the wind speed jumped to greater than 400 meters/sec. These particular values are obviously not correct. An example:

```
Spike | REG-999-WFF01 | STAFF-AES01 | 20-AUG-93 | 20-AUG-93 | 417.648 - 4.491
```

These kinds of anomalies were seen at the WFF and WIW site. In the 1994 data, some negative wind speeds were identified.

#### RT\_MEAN\_WIND\_SPEED\_10M\_2MIN:

In the 1993 data, large anomalies similar to those seen in the previous column were observed from the WFF and WIW sites.

```
Spike | REG-999-WIW01 | STAFF-AES01 | 17-AUG-93 | 17-AUG-93 | 7.369 - 467.839
```

In the 1994 data, no serious anomalies were identified.

#### RT MEAN WIND DIR 10M 2MIN:

All values ranged between 0 and 360. No anomalous values were found.

#### SDEV\_RT\_MEAN\_WIND\_DIR\_10M\_2MIN:

All values seemed to be within an acceptable range.

#### GUST\_10M\_10MIN:

There were some very high values at the WFF and WIW sites in 1993.

```
Spike | REG-999-WFF01 | STAFF-AES01 | 04-AUG-93 | 04-AUG-93 | 107.362 - 5.648
```

#### RAINFALL LAST HOUR:

It was difficult to judge spikes because the data in this column accumulate during each hour. There were some negative values in 1993 and 1994 data:

```
Low | REG-999-WWC01 | STAFF-AES01 | 26-DEC-93 | 26-DEC-93 | -35.72 | Low | TRN-999-FFN01 | STAFF-AES01 | 29-NOV-93 | 29-NOV-93 | -12.1
```

In 1994, some very high values were recorded, especially for site WLV.

```
High | SSA-999-WLV01 | STAFF-AES01 | 06-FEB-94 | 06-FEB-94 | 100
```

#### **SNOW DEPTH:**

A number of negative snow depths were observed in 1993 and 1994 at the WLV site:

```
Low | SSA-999-WLV01 | STAFF-AES01 | 10-NOV-93 | 10-NOV-93 | -5145

Low | SSA-999-WLV01 | STAFF-AES01 | 11-NOV-93 | 11-NOV-93 | -4588

Spike | SSA-999-WLV01 | STAFF-AES01 | 03-NOV-94 | 03-NOV-94 | -115.2 - 329.4

Spike | SSA-999-WLV01 | STAFF-AES01 | 03-NOV-94 | 03-NOV-94 | 326.4 - -108.5
```

Some very large spikes were also observed:

```
Spike | SSA-999-WLV01 | STAFF-AES01 | 17-NOV-93 | 17-NOV-93 | 2116 - 106.9
```

Some large negative values were observed in the 1995 data at the WLV site.

```
Low | SSA-999-WLV01 | STAFF-AES01 | 05-JUN-95 | 05-JUN-95 | -4234 Spike | SSA-999-WLV01 | STAFF-AES01 | 05-JUN-95 | 05-JUN-95 | -4234 - -32.63
```

There were some small negative values in the 1996 data for the WLV site:

```
Spike | SSA-999-WLV01 | STAFF-AES01 | 15-APR-96 | 15-APR-96 | -11.8 - 2.63
```

#### TEMP MAX LAST SYNOPTIC:

Some physically unbelievable temperatures were seen at the WFF and WIW sites in the 1993 data:

```
Spike | REG-999-WFF01 | STAFF-AES01 | 04-AUG-93 | 04-AUG-93 | 420.97 - 20.97
```

Some very large temperatures were observed at the FFN site in 1995:

```
Spike |TRN-999-FFN01 |STAFF-AES01 |11-SEP-95 | 11-SEP-95 | 24.27 - 38.02 Spike |TRN-999-FFN01 |STAFF-AES01 |11-SEP-95 | 11-SEP-95 | 38.02 - 46.82 Spike |TRN-999-FFN01 |STAFF-AES01 |11-SEP-95 | 11-SEP-95 | 47.34 - 15.65
```

#### TEMP\_MIN\_LAST\_SYNOPTIC:

In 1993, very large temperatures were seen in this column at the WFF, WIW, and FFN sites:

```
Spike | REG-999-WIW01 | STAFF-AES01 | 12-AUG-93 | 12-AUG-93 | 512.41 - 12.26
```

#### RAINFALL\_LAST\_SYNOPTIC\_HOUR:

Large anomalies were seen in the 1993 data from the WFF and WIW sites.

```
High | REG-999-WFF01 | STAFF-AES01 | 26-AUG-93 | 26-AUG-93 | 90
```

For 1995, some extremely large values were seen in the WLV data:

```
Spike | SSA-999-WLV01 | STAFF-AES01 | 21-SEP-95 | 21-SEP-95 | 0 - 285 | Spike | SSA-999-WLV01 | STAFF-AES01 | 21-SEP-95 | 21-SEP-95 | 285 - 0 | High | SSA-999-WLV01 | STAFF-AES01 | 21-SEP-95 | 21-SEP-95 | 285
```

#### **ACCUM PRECIP:**

There is a spike in the 1993 data for the WJH site:

```
Spike | REG-999-WJH01 | STAFF-AES01 | 23-OCT-93 | 23-OCT-93 | 117.4 - 205.8
```

Some oddities were noticed in these data in 1994, 1995, and 1996 for the WJH and WLV sites:

Prob	SITE_NAME	SUB_SITE	DATE_OBS	DATE_OBS	ACCUM_PRECIP
Spike	REG-999-WJH01	STAFF-AES01	29-MAY-95	29-MAY-95	220.4 - 524.5
Spike	REG-999-WJH01	STAFF-AES01	29-MAY-95	29-MAY-95	524.5 - 571.5
Spike	REG-999-WJH01	STAFF-AES01	29-MAY-95	29-MAY-95	571.5 - 13.85
Spike	REG-999-WJH01	STAFF-AES01	29-MAY-95	29-MAY-95	13.85 - 345.9
Spike	REG-999-WJH01	STAFF-AES01	29-MAY-95	29-MAY-95	345.9 - 93.9
Spike	SSA-999-WLV01	STAFF-AES01	31-MAY-95	31-MAY-95	431 - 105
High	SSA-999-WLV01	STAFF-AES01	22-FEB-94	22-FEB-94	1665
Spike	SSA-999-WLV01	STAFF-AES01	22-FEB-94	22-FEB-94	1665 - 20
High	SSA-999-WLV01	STAFF-AES01	22-FEB-94	22-FEB-94	1665
Spike	REG-999-WJH01	STAFF-AES01	28-MAY-96	28-MAY-96	214.5 - 421.9
Spike	REG-999-WJH01	STAFF-AES01	28-MAY-96	28-MAY-96	421.9 - 111

#### 11.3 Usage Guidance

Based on the anomalies reported in Section 11.2, users are advised to check the data further before using them.

#### 11.4 Other Relevant Information

None given.

#### 12. Application of the Data Set

These data along with other surface meteorological station data can be used to characterize the local and/or regional weather conditions and/or patterns. They are also useful for creating climate condition data sets that are used for various modeling purposes.

#### 13. Future Modifications and Plans

None given.

#### 14. Software

#### 14.1 Software Description

None given.

#### 14.2 Software Access

None given.

#### 15. Data Access

The AES Campbell Scientific surface meteorological data are available from the Earth Observing System Data and Information System (EOSDIS) Oak Ridge National Laboratory (ORNL) Distributed Active Archive Center (DAAC).

#### **15.1 Contact Information**

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#### 15.2 Data Center Identification

Earth Observing System Data and Information System (EOSDIS) Oak Ridge National Laboratory (ORNL) Distributed Active Archive Center (DAAC) for Biogeochemical Dynamics http://www-eosdis.ornl.gov/ [Internet Link].

#### 15.3 Procedures for Obtaining Data

Users may obtain data directly through the ORNL DAAC online search and order system [http://www-eosdis.ornl.gov/] and the anonymous FTP site [ftp://www-eosdis.ornl.gov/data/] or by contacting User Services by electronic mail, telephone, fax, letter, or personal visit using the contact information in Section 15.1.

#### 15.4 Data Center Status/Plans

The ORNL DAAC is the primary source for BOREAS field measurement, image, GIS, and hardcopy data products. The BOREAS CD-ROM and data referenced or listed in inventories on the CD-ROM are available from the ORNL DAAC.

#### 16. Output Products and Availability

#### **16.1 Tape Products**

None.

#### 16.2 Film Products

None.

#### **16.3 Other Products**

These data are available on the BOREAS CD-ROM series.

#### 17. References

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### 17.3 Archive/DBMS Usage Documentation None.

#### 18. Glossary of Terms

None.

#### 19. List of Acronyms

AES - Atmospheric and Environment Servarian - Airborne Fluxes and Meteorology - Atmospheric and Environment Service

ASCII - American Standard Code for Information Interchange

BOREAS - BOReal Ecosystem-Atmosphere Study

BORIS - BOREAS Information System CD-ROM - Compact Disk-Read-Only Memory

CGR - Certified by Group CPI - Checked by PI

CPI-??? - CPI but questionable

DAAC - Distributed Active Archive Center

EOS - Earth Observing System

EOSDIS - EOS Data and Information System GIS - Geographic Information System

- Greenwich Mean Time GMT

GSFC - Goddard Space Flight Center HTML - HyperText Markup Language

MARSII - Meteorological Automatic Reporting System II

MB - Manitoba

NAD83 - North American Datum of 1983

 ${\tt NASA}$  — National Aeronautics and Space Administration

- Northern Study Area NSA

ORNL - Oak Ridge National Laboratory PANP - Prince Albert National Park ΡI - Principal Investigator

PRE - Preliminary

READAC - Remote Environmental Automated Data Acquisition Concept

SK - Saskatchewan

SSA - Southern Study Area

T/RH - Temperature / Relative Humidity

TBRG - Tipping Bucket Rain Gauge URL - Uniform Resource Locator

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